ABSTRACT

In one embodiment, a tape cartridge includes: a housing; a reel rotatably disposed in the housing; a reel lock operatively coupled to the reel, the reel lock operative between a first position in which the reel is locked and a second position in which the reel is unlocked; one of the housing or the reel lock having an insert and the other of the housing or the reel lock having a receiver, the insert sized and shaped to fit closely into the receiver and the insert slidable in the receiver; and a damper operatively coupled between the housing and the reel lock when the reel lock is in the second position.